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TAGS: OVIP (ROBINSON, CHARLES W.)

SUBJECT: VISIT OF DEPUTY SECRETARY TO PHILIPPINES: PRESS
GUIDANCE

1. DEPT SPOKESMAN WILL VOLUNTEER FOLLOWING STATEMENT AT
NOON PRESS BRIEFING AUGUST 4 REGARDING YOUR VISIT TO
MANILA. QUOTE: DEPUTY SECRETARY ROBINSON WILL VISIT
MANILA FOLLOWING THE ANZUS MEETING FOR GENERAL DISCUSSIONS
WITH PHILIPPINE LEADERS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST.
THE DEPUTY SECRETARY IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN MANILA ON
AUGUST 5 AND TO DEPART FOR RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES ON
AUGUST 7. ASSISTANT SECRETARY HUMMEL WILL ACCOMPANY HIM
TO MANILA. END QUOTE.

2. IF ASKED WHETHER ROBINSON WILL DISCUSS THE CURRENT BASE
NEGOTIATIONS, SPOKESMAN WILL RESPOND THAT THE DEPUTY SECRE-
TARY EXPECTS TO REVIEW WITH PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT LEADERS
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THE PROGRESS OF NEGOTIATIONS CURRENTLY TAKING PLACE IN

MANILA BETWEEN THE PHILIPPINES AND THE UNITED STATES ON A
NEW MILITARY BASES AGREEMENT AND TO REAFFIRM THE INTEREST
WE HAVE IN THEIR EARLY AND SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION.

3. IF ASKED WHETHER THE DEPUTY SECRETARY'S VISIT IS RE-
LATED TO THE SECRETARY'S EARLIER PLANNED VISIT TO MANILA,

THE SPOKESMAN WILL RESPOND THAT THE SECRETARY HAD HOPED
TO VISIT MANILA IN AUGUST BUT IS REGRETFULLY UNABLE TO DO
SO. CONSEQUENTLY, HE HAS ASKED DEPUTY SECRETARY ROBINSON
TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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